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# THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

# TOWN OF BREWER,

For the Year 1877--1878.

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1878.



## WARRANT.

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TO ORLANDO MOOR, *Constable of Brewer in the County of Penobscot.*

*Greeting:*

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Brewer, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said Town, on Monday, the eleventh day of March inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles to wit:

*First.* To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

*Second.* To receive the reports of the several town officers, and act upon the same.

*Third.* To choose a Town Clerk and all other necessary town officers, for the ensuing year.

*Fourth.* To renew, add to, or revise the by-laws.

*Fifth.* To raise money for the support of schools, the poor, roads and bridges, for loans, and all other necessary Town charges.

*Sixth.* To see what mode the Town will adopt for making and repairing its highways, bridges and sidewalks.

*Seventh.* To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money for the use of the Town.

*Eighth.* To see if the Town will vote to build a reservoir at, or near the foot of Burr street, and raise money for the same.

*Ninth.* To see if the Town will lay out and construct a sewer, commencing at James Garrity's house on Spring street, and running to the river, and raise money to pay for the same.

*Tenth.* To see if the Town will lay out and construct a sewer, commencing at the sewer at the lower pump at the Ferry, on Wilson street, and running to the corner of Union and Main streets, and raise money for the same.

*Eleventh.* To see if the Town will add to the number of street lamps, and raise money for the same.

*Twelfth.* To see if the Town will provide a suitable room in which our constables can lock up criminals whom they have arrested, and to raise money for the same.

*Thirteenth.* To see if the Town will grade Hopkins Hill, on State street, so that the low road on the southerly side of the hill may be drained of surface water.

*Fourteenth.* To see if the Town will, in whole, or in part, pay the expenses attending the decorating of the soldiers' graves, on next Memorial Day, and raise money for that purpose.

*Fifteenth.* To see if the Town will vote to tax dogs.

*Sixteenth.* To see if the Town will empower School District Agents to employ teachers.

*Seventeenth.* To see if the Town will vote to pay the firemen for their services, five dollars each for the ensuing year; and also five dollars each to the fire wardens.

The Selectmen will be in session at their office in the Town House, one hour previous to said meeting, to correct the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Brewer aforesaid, this second day of March, A. D. 1878.

J. L. BARKER,	} Selectmen
G. A. SNOW,	
F. E. COLLINS,	
	} of
	} Brewer.

# WILLIAM P. BURR, Treasurer, in Account with the TOWN OF BREWER, for the Year 1877-8.

— DR. —

To balance due on settlement, March 1, 1877,.....	\$7,865 46
“ Amount received of the City of Bangor for repair of road above the dam,.....	165 55
“ “ rec'd of Bangor for supplies to paupers,.....	43 68
“ “ “ of town of Glenburn, for supplies,.....	18 00
“ “ “ of town of Atkinson, “.....	6 25
“ “ “ of town of Bucksport, “.....	71 54
“ “ “ of town of Whiting, “.....	2 50
“ “ “ of city of Belfast, “.....	60 74
“ “ “ of town of Hampden, “.....	25 99
“ “ “ of town of Orland, “.....	37 63
“ “ “ of town of Corinna, “.....	6 00
“ “ “ of town of Oldtown, “.....	46 28
“ “ “ of State of Maine, for bounty on bears,.....	65 00
“ “ “ for old hearse,.....	10 00
“ “ “ of town of Holden, for monument for the town line,.....	1 00
“ “ “ of stranger, for license,.....	1 00
“ “ Assessments committed to Treasurer & Col- lector, for State, County, and Town Taxes, 1877,.....	17,792 93
“ “ Supplemental tax committed,.....	56 06
“ “ rec'd of the State for schools,.....	1,765 28
“ “ “ for free high school,.....	375 37
“ “ State pensions refunded,.....	144 00
“ “ Discount for advance payment of county tax,.....	14 75
“ “ rec'd for rent of town hall,.....	134 00
“ “ Notes discounted at Kenduskeag Bank and Brewer Savings Bank,.....	2,977 04
“ “ received from dog licenses,.....	38 00
“ “ interest on town school fund, apportioned to school districts,.....	51 52
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	\$31,775 57

— CR. —

By amount paid Selectmen's orders,.....	\$13,933 65
“ “ loans and interest,.....	4,168 39
“ “ State pensions,.....	144 00
“ “ State tax,.....	2,015 94
“ “ County tax,.....	1,770 73
“ “ Discount on taxes for 1877,.....	1,157 35
“ “ Commission for collecting \$14,000 taxes at 1½ per cent.,.....	210 00
“ “ Paid all other money collected, amounting to \$3026, at ½ per cent.,.....	15 13
“ “ Indorsement on note to Brewer Savings Bank,.....	200 00
“ “ Abatement on taxes, 1875,.....	140 88
“ “ Abatement on taxes, 1876,.....	128 97
“ “ Abatement on taxes, 1877,.....	137 75
“ “ Balance due on settlement,.....	7,752 78
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	\$31,775 57

## PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Orlando Moor, Constable, 1876,	\$15 00	
J. H. Smith, Fire Warden for 1876-7,	10 00	
G. A. Snow, Superintendent of Cemeteries, 1876,	10 00	
H. C. Snow, School Committee,	72 00	
F. E. Collins, same,	70 00	
G. C. Shaw, Health Committee, 1876-7,	16 00	
J. G. Swett, Moderator, 1876-7,	4 00	
Joseph Libby, Fire Warden, 1875,	5 00	
A. P. Bennett, same, 1877,	5 00	
W. P. Burr, Town Clerk,	12 00	
J. L. Barker, Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor, and Highway Surveyor, 102½ days, at \$2.00 per day,	205 00	
G. A. Snow, same, 82½ days,	165 00	
F. E. Collins, same, 73 days,	146 00	
E. A. Stanley, Fire Warden,	5 00	
J. D. Oakes, Auditor,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$742 00

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid C. W. Sawyer and others, for repairing hook and ladder house,	\$7 51	
S. A. Hall, for care of engine, repairing, oil and wood,	53 95	
J. S. Paine, Treasurer, firemen's pay,	225 95	
J. N. V. Lane, Treasurer, Hook and Ladder Co.,	100 00	
John Reardon, for hauling hooks and ladders to fire,	1 00	
Herbert Nealley, for hauling engine to fire,	1 00	
Henry Reaviel, for hauling hose carriage to fire,	1 00	
Sawyer Brothers, repairs on hose carriage,	4 65	
S. H. Downs, for repairs on hose carriage, and hook and ladder carriage,	1 50	
G. A. Swett, for care of hook and ladder house and carriage,	5 00	
Farrington Bro's, for oil, wicks, and chimneys,	1 65	
Kellen & Sparks, for stove pipe and zinc,	1 65	
	<hr/>	\$408 91

## MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

Paid Glidden & Rider, ordered by vote of town,	\$75 00	
P. P. Holden, for pump and repairs,	11 50	
Preston J. Tarr and others, for school books,	12 97	
J. G. Swett and others, for repairing Town House and settees,	7 52	
S. S. Smith & Son, for printing reports,	34 00	
Jasper Hutchings, for legal services in suit, B. & B. R. R. Co., vs. Brewer,	513 77	
Jasper Hutchings, for decoration purposes,	45 47	
G. J. Brewer, for damage for draining Elm street over his land,	10 00	
D. S. Kingsbury, ground rent for pound,	1 00	
Abby Kent, for legal services rendered by Ed- ward Kent, suit in case B. & B. R. R. Co. vs. Brewer,	500 00	
Burr & Robinson and others, printing and blanks,	7 62	
William Johnson, for enlarging hearse house,	46 00	
Clayton & Chapman, stone post for town line,	1 00	
Town of Orrington, for surveying town line,	1 00	
W. F. Whitton & Co., for hearse,	275 00	
Penobscot Mutual Insurance Co., for insurance on town house,	46 44	
J. D. Pierson, for straps for new hearse,	3 50	
A. Barrett, for watering trough,	3 00	
A. & A. Y. Bolton, for damage to brick-yard in 1874, occasioned by water from Elm street,	75 00	
E. S. Boden & Sons and others, for articles fur- nished town hall,	27 76	
E. A. Stanley and others, repairs on pump,	8 10	
D. Bugbee & Co., and others, for books, station- ery and postage,	43 06	
D. V. Nickerson, for care of town hall,	41 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,789 71

## ALMS HOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

## DR.

Paid Nathan Johnson, for one year's salary,	\$281 25	
Drs. Hunt and Thomas, for medical attendance,	30 40	
One cow,	60 00	
Supplies for one year, including labor, lumber, re- pairs, and stumpage,	787 97	
Stock on hand, February, 1877,	800 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,960 32



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By stock on hand, February, 1878,	\$700 00	
Labor of superintendent and horse on highways,	129 00	
Cash received from board of B. Noble,	6 00	
Cash received from articles sold from farm,	95 26	
		<u>\$930 26</u>
Balance against the farm		\$1,030 06

## EXPENSE OF THE POOR OUT OF THE ALMS HOUSE.

Paid an account of the Greenyear family,	\$69 25	
Frank Newell,	41 39	
Joseph Lessor,	31 17	
Simon Wise,	33 50	
Maria Clark,	125 67	
Joseph Baker,	7 56	
Peter Baker,	32 95	
Horace Rich,	14 15	
E. P. Saunders,	45 29	
Thomas McGlynn,	2 86	
Charles T. A. Bennett,	49 63	
Mary Demmons,	2 50	
Alex. Lane,	2 00	
John Gonya,	6 97	
John Carey,	2 00	
William Gibson,	22 18	
Silas S. Howard,	17 03	
James Clark,	11 20	
Patrick Carey,	42 26	
Charles Clark,	6 00	
Reuben N. Pomeroy,	25 99	
Lucy Segar,	22 50	
Olive Fickett,	12 50	
Amos Sargent,	33 56	
Loise Baker,	4 10	
Oakman Martin,	64 04	
A. C. Butman,	2 53	
Patrick Flannigan,	9 45	
		<u>\$740 23</u>
Add balance against town farm,		1,030 06
		<u>\$1,770 29</u>
Deduct amount received, and due from other towns,		352 37
		<u>\$1,417 92</u>
And the whole cost of the poor is		

## INMATES OF THE ALMS HOUSE.

Joseph Harris,	Henry Comings,	John Egan,
John McCarron,	William Lawley,	John Anderson,
Samuel Brown,	Benjamin Noble,	Mariah Clark,
Samuel Kenney,	John Ford,	Thomas McGlynn,
John Anderson,	James Wilson,	Geo. Swift,
James Belt,	Thomas Taylor,	Sidney Smith,
William Carr,	Henry Hard,	Frank Brown,
John McGrath,	John Hurley,	William Burgess,
John Conner,	George Parker,	Charles Wilbur,
John Graham,	Edward Dolton,	James Hartley,
Edward Jackson,	Alfred Barnes,	Charley Dolan,
Frank Bell,	John Daley,	John Haley,
Geo. Thompson,	Thomas Allard,	John Evans,
John Grant,	James Cronin,	Benjamin Holt,
John Williams.		

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid G. F. Pratt and assistants,	\$740 75
C. P. Fessenden, for teaching penmanship,	24 00
Furniture and repairs,	49 71
Expenses for graduating exercises,	25 15
Care of room and building fires,	15 00
For wood and preparing,	25 78
For insurance,	30 00
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	\$910 39

## HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, AND SIDEWALKS.

Raised by the town,	\$3,400 00
Expended for labor and material on roads, bridges, and sidewalks,	\$2,926 58
Deduct amount received from the City of Bangor for repair- ing damage to road above the dam at Treat's falls,	165 55
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And the whole cost of highways, bridges, and sidewalks is	\$2,761 03

## SEWER ACCOUNT.

Paid A. H. Gould, for bricks,	\$35 42
P. L. Carlow, for sand,	3 00
C. Newcomb & Co., for cement,	21 88
B. G. Eldridge and others, for labor,	67 87
S. F. Barton & Co., for lumber,	1 95
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	\$130 12

## RESERVOIR ACCOUNT.

Paid B. G. Eldridge and others, labor and stones,	\$178 98	
C. Newcomb & Co., for cement,	23 00	
S. F. Barton & Co. and others, for lumber,	8 81	
S. A. Wilson and others, for bricks,	29 27	
Clayton & Chapman, top for chimney,	3 50	
Hinckley & Egery Iron Co., for iron cover,	6 00	
Holmes & Dennison, for pump and box,	2 09	
	<hr/>	\$251 65

## CONCRETE CROSS-WALK.

Paid F. H. Duffy, for 1876,	\$30 00
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## SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Amount due Districts at the close of last year,	\$897 65	
Raised by the town,	2,600 00	
Received from the State,	1,765 28	
Interest on town school fund,	51 52	
	<hr/>	\$5,314 45
Paid school districts,		4,555 29
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Due school districts,		\$759 16

## THE SCHOOL FUND,

Amounting to \$969 36, loaned to the town at 6 per cent. interest. After paying trustees' services, the balance of interest is paid to the several school districts.

Interest for 1877, is	\$58 16	
Paid trustees,	6 64	
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Balance due, paid school districts,		\$51 52

## GLOBE GAS LIGHT ACCOUNT.

Paid W. G. Duren for lanterns and fixtures,	\$98 53	
Globe Gas Light Co., for oil, glass, and freight,	64 85	
Sawyer Brothers and others for lamps, posts, and painting,	18 25	
S. F. Brown and others for trucking, fixtures, and repairs,	5 75	
S. A. Hall and others for care of lamps and lighting	19 50	
	<hr/>	\$206 29

## UNAVAILABLE PROPERTY OF THE TOWN.

Town house and lots adjoining,	\$3,000 00
Alms house and farm,	2,000 00
Gravel lot near J. D. French,	45 00
House on Carey's lot,	45 00

Engine house, lot, and fixtures,	2,400 00
Fire engine and hose carriage,	2,400 00
Hook and ladder house and carriage,	550 00
Ladder house, ladders and pails at Brewer Village,	100 00
Hearse houses and hearses,	700 00
	<hr/> \$11,240 00

## FINANCES OF THE TOWN.

## ASSETS.

Amount due from Treasurer,	\$7,752 78
Amount due from State of Maine, on account of Free High School, estimated,	175 00
	<hr/> \$7,927 78

## LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Notes outstanding,	\$8,796 50
Due School Districts,	759 16
	<hr/> \$9,555 66
Deduct assets,	7,927 78
	<hr/> \$1,627 88

## VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1877.

Real estates of residents,	\$493,601 00
Personal estates of residents,	158,885 00
Real estates of non-residents,	200,975 00
Personal estates of non-residents,	27,433 00
	<hr/> \$880,894 00

## AMOUNT OF MONEY RAISED.

By the town,	\$13,960 00
State tax,	2,015 94
County tax,	1,770 73
Overlayings and fractional gains,	46 26
	<hr/> \$17,792 93

## ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

On real estates of residents,	\$8,638 44
Personal estates of residents,	2,781 25
Real estates of non-residents,	3,517 15
Personal estates of non-residents,	480 09
Seven hundred and ninety-two polls, at \$3,	2,376 00
	<hr/> \$17,792 93
Total assessments,	
Per cent. on \$100 00, \$1.75.	

## RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of orders drawn,	\$13,933 65
Miscellaneous expenses,	1,789 71
Pay of town officers,	742 00
Fire Department,	403 91
Highways, etc.,	2,926 58
Alms house and town farm,	1,159 62
Poor out of alms house,	740 23
Schools,	4,555 29
Free High School,	910 39
Sewer,	130 12
Reservoir,	251 65
Concrete crosswalk,	30 00
Interest on school fund,	58 16
Abatement by orders,	29 70
Globe gas lights,	206 29
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	\$13,933 65

## ESTIMATES FOR 1878.

For common schools,	\$2,600 00
Free high schools,	900 00
Poor,	1,500 00
Highways, etc.,	3,000 00
Miscellaneous,	600 00
Interest on loans,	450 00
Discount on taxes,	1,200 00
Abatements,	400 00
Fire department,	600 00
Payment of town officers,	750 00
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	\$12,000 00

J. L. BARKER, } Selectmen  
 G. A. SNOW, } of  
 F. E. COLLINS, } Brewer.

Brewer, March 4, 1878.

BREWER, Feb. 28, 1878.

I have examined the accounts as kept by the Selectmen and Treasurer, with the Town for the past year. I find the charges accompanied with proper vouchers; I hereby certify that the same are correct.

J. D. OAKES,  
 Auditor.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF  
THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,  
Of the Town of Brewer, for the Year 1877-78.

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The vacancy on the School Board, was filled by the election of Mrs. A. B. Tozier.

Your Committee, in reporting Schools for the past year, feel encouraged with the improved appearance and the increased interest on the part of parents and scholars.

We would make favorable mention of Mr. Fessenden, the teacher of Pennmanship, who has been employed in Central District, also in the High School. The improvement in this department has been of a very marked character, creating a lively competition in the schools. We would recommend a general adoption, as far as practicable.

There seems to be a great need for better ventilated and heated rooms for our scholars. The day for the suffocating box stove in most of our school houses is past. The model for the best regulated school rooms is at Brewer Village—the result of which is seen in the steady improvement and work done there. The neat appearance of these rooms is well worthy the careful attention of parents and teachers. They are a credit to the Agent, and those who have so carefully arranged them.

We would recommend to the District Agents the good results of retaining teachers who give satisfaction. The preference to be given to the graduates from Brewer schools, qualifications being equal. We are convinced that such a course will result in increased effort on the part of scholars to a more thorough and higher grade of scholarship.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Summer Term—GEO. F. PRATT, Teacher.

Length of term, 13 weeks. Whole number, 35; average, 25-9. Wages, \$75 per month.

Fall Term—GEO. F. PRATT, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 35; average, 31. Wages, \$80 per month.

Winter Term—GEO. F. PRATT, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 40; average, 35. Wages, \$80 per month.

Mr. Pratt, having taught two terms in 1877, giving such entire satisfaction to all concerned, that it was deemed wise to retain his valuable services for another year. We think he has succeeded in gaining the confidence of his pupils, and has made the school a success.

Miss ANNIE CHAMBERS, a graduate of 1877, is employed as assistant, at a small compensation.

A class of eight members graduated in June last, three of whom have taught school this year. Two have entered College, with fair prospects.

A class of thirteen, boys and girls, have entered for the course.

The class of 1878 graduate in June.

BRIMMER DISTRICT—SUMNER H. BURR, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in District, . . . . . 256

GRAMMAR—Summer Term—Miss JULIA T. BRASTOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number 24; average, 21. Wages, \$9.75 per week.

Fall Term—Miss JULIA T. BRASTOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 44; average, 37. Wages, \$10.00 per week.

Winter Term—Miss JULIA T. BRASTOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 28; average, 25. Wages, \$12.00 per week.

Miss Brastow has for the past year given entire satisfaction. Her thorough and practical manner of imparting instruction is not surpassed by any teacher of our acquaintance.

INTERMEDIATE—Summer Term—HATTIE L. CUTTER, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 43; average, 38. Wages, \$7.00 per week.

This was Miss Cutter's third term in this school. The order was good; the instruction compared favorably with schools of this grade.

Fall Term—none.

Winter Term—Miss MARIA E. COLLINS, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 40; average, 35. Wages, \$8.00 per week.

This is Miss Collins' eighth school. As the school will not close until after this report is in print, it must be incomplete; but judging from my last visit, her reputation as a teacher will be fully sustained.

**PRIMARY—Summer Term—Miss KATE S. CUTTER, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 60; average, 47. Wages,  
\$6.50 per week.

Miss Cutter has taught this school four terms, giving good satisfaction. She possesses the happy faculty of gaining the good will of her pupils.

**Fall Term—Miss ANNIE B. BURR, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 77; average, 62. Wages,  
\$6.50 per week.

This school had the misfortune to undergo a change of teachers. Miss Cutter desiring a term for vacation, Miss Burr filled the position satisfactorily.

**Winter Term—Miss ANNIE B. BURR, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 42; average, 38. Wages  
\$7.00 per week.

This school is still in progress, having been interrupted by sickness; but we believe it is giving general satisfaction. Miss Burr is a teacher of experience and ability.

**LIBERTY DISTRICT—Whole number in District 71.**

**Summer Term—Mrs. G. A. WASHBURN, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 39; average, 32. Wages,  
\$6.40 per week.

**Fall Term—Mrs. G. A. WASHBURN, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 37; average, 32. Wages,  
\$6.40 per week.

**Winter Term—Mrs. G. A. WASHBURN, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 44; average, 34. Wages,  
\$8.50 per week.

Mrs. Washburn is a teacher of experience, having taught sixteen schools; she works hard to give satisfaction. We think the school a profitable one.

**KINGSBURY DISTRICT—L. PIERCE, Agent.**

Whole number in district... ..31

**Summer Term—Miss AGNES M. GOULD, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 10 weeks. Whole number, 20; average, 15. Wages,  
\$5 50 per week.

**Fall Term—Miss AGNES M. GOULD, Teacher.**  
Length of term, 6 weeks. Whole number, 11; average, 10. Wages,  
\$5 50 per week.



Miss Gould brought to this school the experience of six previous terms, and succeeded in interesting her pupils to a satisfactory degree. We believe the schools have been profitable.

Winter Term—MISS MABEL E. COMINS, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 22. Average, 18. Wages, \$6 00 per week.

This was Miss Comins' fifth school; the order was good; the instruction thorough, with marked progress.

VILLAGE DISTRICT—MARK S. WEEKS, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in District, ..... 251.

GRAMMAR—Summer Term—GEORGE B. LONG, Teacher.

Length of term, 10 weeks. Whole number, 56; average, 50. Wages, \$60.00 per month.

Fall Term—GEORGE B. LONG, Teacher.

Length of term, 10 weeks. Whole number, 65; average, 46. Wages, \$60.00 per month.

Winter Term—GEORGE B. LONG, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 67; average, 52. Wages, \$60.00 per month.

Mr. Long has taught this school four terms in succession. We anticipated much from this school, and were not disappointed. At the closing examination, it was difficult to select any one thing for special praise; all seeming to be best. We pronounce the recitation in Geography the best we have ever heard.

PRIMARY—Summer Term—EVA B. COPELAND, Teacher.

Length of term, 10 weeks. Whole number, 63; average, 52. Wages, \$8.00 per week.

Fall Term—EVA B. COPELAND, Teacher.

Length of term, 10 weeks. Whole number, 62; average, 52. Wages, \$9.00 per week.

Winter Term—MARTHA W. LONG, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 57; average, 51. Wages, \$9.00 per week.

Miss Copeland inspired her scholars with her own zeal and enthusiasm. It was quite a pleasure to visit this school. The readiness, accuracy, and intelligence manifested at the examination, evinced a degree of mental discipline only attained by hard study. This was one of the best schools in town.

We can with pleasure say, that the same interest continued during the winter term that was manifested in the summer and fall terms.—During recess, Mrs. Long gave instruction in map drawing, and her scholars made rapid progress in this branch. They placed some very fine specimens on the board at the closing examination.

CENTRAL DISTRICT—N. J. BUNKER, Agent.

Whole number of scholars in District, ..... 408

EXCELSIOR.

GRAMMAR—Summer Term—ANNIE B. TOZIER, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 33; average, 28. Wages, \$11.00 per week.

Fall Term—ANNIE B. TOZIER, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 26; average 23. Wages, \$11.00 per week.

Winter Term—F. E. COLLINS, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 50; average, 44. Wages, \$65.00 per month.

Mr. Tozier being employed to teach this school, was a warrant of success. Knowing what was accomplished, I pronounce this one of her best schools.

In reporting my own school, I will simply say, there are some very fine scholars in this school. A large class that came in who attend but one term in a year, have manifested great interest in their studies—especially Arithmetic and Geography.

INTERMEDIATE—Summer Term—(PAGE,) FLORENCE L. HOLYOKE, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 46; average, 37. Wages, \$7.25 per week.

Fall Term—FLORENCE L. HOLYOKE, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 42; average, 37. Wages, \$7.75 per week.

We regard Miss Holyoke as a faithful, earnest, pains-taking teacher, and the result of her labors indicated that her pupils had joined in the interest she manifested for their advancement. Both terms showed good progress and marked improvement.

Winter Term—A. E. ROGERS, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number 49; average, 43. Wages, \$45.00 per month.

Mr. Rogers was a stranger, but came well recommended, and with much experience. The school closed rather abruptly, owing to his engagement elsewhere—but it is believed that, on the whole, the school was a successful one, and gave general satisfaction.

## (EXCELSIOR.)

PRIMARY—Summer Term—LETTIE HARLOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 51; average, 44. Wages, \$6.75 per week.

Fall Term—LETTIE HARLOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 50; average, 41. Wages, \$6.75 per week.

Winter Term—LETTIE HARLOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 46; average, 36. Wages, \$6.75 per week.

Miss Harlow is so well known to the members of this district as a successful teacher, all that is necessary to say is, this was one of her best. The school gave evidence of the advantage gained by retaining the services of a good teacher.

## (PAGE) PRIMARY.

Summer Term—MARIE E. WESTON, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 56; average, 45. Wages, \$6 00 per week.

Fall Term—MARIE E. WESTON, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 47; average, 35. Wages, \$6 75 per week.

Winter Term—MARIE E. (WESTON) PIERCE, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 47; average, 35. Wages, \$6 75 per week.

This school was fortunate in retaining so good a teacher through the year. Under her judicious government and instruction, the school attained a high degree of proficiency. We consider it in every way a success,

## MILL DAM.

## PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE.

Summer Term—CARO A. FARRINGTON, Teacher,

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 21; average, 19. Wages, \$6.75 per week.

Fall Term—CARO A. FARRINGTON, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 19; average, 17. Wages, \$6.75 per week.

Miss Farrington possesses the faculty in an eminent degree, of interesting her scholars in their studies. More than one-half of the school had not been absent one-half day, and Mellen Farrington had not been absent one-half day for eleven terms.

Winter Term—SADIE P. FARRINGTON, Teacher.

Length of term, 12 weeks. Whole number, 21; average, 18. Wages,  
\$7.25 per week.

The mantle of her predecessor fell upon Miss Farrington, and she proved to be a very acceptable instructor. The order was good,—the method of teaching thorough and pleasing. It was a good school.

DAY DISTRICT—ALFRED LAMBERT, Agent.

Whole number Scholars in District, .....16.

Summer Term—ADELIA A. WALSH, Teacher.

Length of term, 8 weeks. Whole number, 13; average, 11. Wages,  
\$5.00 per week.

Fall Term—ADELIA A. WALSH, Teacher.

Length of term, 13 weeks. Whole number, 15; average, 9. Wages,  
\$5.00 per week.

Miss Walsh is a young teacher, this being her first school; but we are pleased to commend her highly, in method of instruction and discipline. The District considered themselves fortunate in retaining her through the year.

WHITING HILL DISTRICT—IRA DOLE, Agent.

Whole number Scholars in District, .....39.

Summer Term—KATE WHITEHOUSE, Teacher.

Length of term, 11 weeks. Whole number, 19; average, 17. Wages,  
\$5.50 per week.

Fall Term—L. E. PIERCE, Teacher.

Length of term, 8 weeks. Whole number, 21; average, 19. Wages,  
\$5.75 per week.

Winter Term—HARRY E. SNOW, Teacher.

Length of term, 10 weeks. Whole number, 23; average, 17. Wages,  
\$35.00 per month.

Miss Whitehouse sustained her former high reputation,—as did also Miss Pierce,—both were good schools. This was Mr. Snow's first school, and, with excellent material, fair progress was made. A little more *energy* in discipline and teaching would have been an improvement.

Whole number of scholars in town.....1060

Whole number in summer schools.....544

Average number in summer schools.....456

Whole number in fall schools.. .....516

Average number in fall schools .....420

Whole number in winter schools.....536

Average number in winter schools.....446

Average wages of female teachers per week, including board..	\$7 50
Average wages of male teachers per month, in district schools..	.51 25
Amount raised by town for support of district schools.....	2,600 00
Received from State.....	1,765 52
Interest on school fund.....	51 52
Amount raised for support of high school... ..	900 00
Amount to each scholar.....	4 03

H. C. SNOW,	} Superintending
A. B. TOZIER,	
F. E. COLLINS,	

Brewer, March 4th, 1878.